

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**Dated: January 24, 2024**



**Tiiara N.A. Patton**  
**United States Bankruptcy Judge**

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

<b>In re:</b>  <b>Squirrels Research Labs LLC, et al.,</b>  <b>Debtors.</b>	<b>Chapter 11</b>  <b>Case No. 21-61491 (TNAP)</b>  <b>Judge Tiiara N.A. Patton</b>
<b>Frederic P. Schwieg, Trustee,</b>  <b>Plaintiff,</b>  <b>v.</b>  <b>Kyle Slutz,</b>  <b>Defendant.</b>	<b>Adv. Pro. No. 23-06031 (TNAP)</b>

**ORDER SCHEDULING CONTINUED PRETRIAL HEARING  
AND SETTING OTHER RELATED DEADLINES**

The Court held a pretrial hearing for the above-captioned matter on January 23, 2024 (the “Initial Pretrial Hearing”). Appearances were made by the following at the Initial Pretrial Hearing:

Frederic P. Schwieg, Esq. for	Plaintiff
Jack B. Cooper, Esq. for	Kyle Slutz, Defendant

The terms “counsel” and “parties,” as used in this Order, include the case attorney, any other attorney designated or authorized to appear in this adversary proceeding, and any individual appearing *pro se*. Based upon the matters discussed during the Initial Pretrial Hearing, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. Rules 7008 and 7012(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. In accordance with Rules 7008 and 7012(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedures (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), parties are required in their first pleading, responsive pleading, motion, or paper to include a statement that indicates whether the party does or does not consent to entry of final orders or judgment by the bankruptcy judge if it is determined that the bankruptcy judge, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders of judgments consistent with Article III of the constitution. Parties have not complied with Bankruptcy Rules 7008 and 7012(b) and are directed to comply with the rules on or before **Tuesday, February 6, 2024.**

2. Statement of Consent. In accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9015(b) and Rule 9015-1(b) of the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District, which provides if the Court determines that a right to a jury trial applies (which will be determined at a later date) parties shall file any joint or separate statement of consent to a jury trial conducted

by a Bankruptcy Judge under 28 U.S.C. § 157(e). Parties shall file the statement stating whether they consent or do not consent on or before **Tuesday, February 6, 2024.**

3. Continued Pretrial Hearing Date. The continued pretrial hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.** (the “Continued Pretrial Hearing”). The Continued Pretrial Hearing will be conducted both (i) in person at the Ralph Regula Federal Building & U.S. Courthouse, 401 McKinley Avenue SW, Canton, Ohio 44702, and (ii) via the Zoom® Video Communications application (“Zoom”). Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, any party who will not be presenting evidence or argument may request to appear virtually via Zoom. Parties must pre-register by emailing Evelyn Ross, Judge Patton’s Courtroom Deputy, at [PattonZoom\\_Registration@ohnb.uscourts.gov](mailto:PattonZoom_Registration@ohnb.uscourts.gov) by no later than 4:00 p.m. three (3) business days prior to the scheduled hearing. The hearing registration email must include the following information: (a) case name and case number; (b) hearing date and time(s); (c) participant’s name, address, and telephone number; and (d) name of party/parties whom participant represents.

4. All participants appearing by Zoom shall comply with *Judge Patton’s Procedures for Appearing via Zoom® Video Communications (Effective August 21, 2023)*, which can be found on the Court’s website. Persons without video conferencing capabilities must immediately contact Evelyn Ross, Judge Patton’s Courtroom Deputy, at (330) 742-0950 to make alternative arrangements. Absent emergency circumstances, such arrangements must be made no later than three (3) business days prior to the scheduled hearing date. The hearing may be continued from time to time until completed without further notice except as announced in open court.

5. This Order shall not be modified except by leave of Court upon good cause shown. Parties may contact Evelyn Ross [evelyn\\_ross@ohnb.uscourts.gov](mailto:evelyn_ross@ohnb.uscourts.gov) or (330) 742-0950), Judge Patton's courtroom deputy, for all matters concerning scheduling.

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